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Dear Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 31, 2004.

Without acquiescing to the statements made therein, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group V (claims 32-37) with traverse for prosecution in the instant application. Applicants submit that the Examiner has not established that it would be unduly burdensome to search the subject matter of claims 32-37 (Group V) and claims 38-43 (Group VI). Applicants note that claims 38-43 are classified by the Examiner in the same class and subclass as the subject matter of claims 32-37. In addition, Applicants submit a search of the subject matter of claims 32-37 would likely include prior art to the subject matter of claims 38-43. Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that the restriction requirement with respect to claims 32-37 (Group V) and 38-43 (Group VI) be withdrawn.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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